GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
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FREE TECHNICAL EDUCATION TO YOUTHS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently decided to impart free technical education to the youths in various States in order to provide employment to them;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government for implementation of the said proposal in the country particularly in Jharkhand,State−wise;

(c) the details of the institutions engaged in imparting the proposed free technical education in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the number of youths likely to be benefitted under the said schemes,State-wise ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Labour & Employment is implementing a scheme "Skill Development Initiative" for school leavers, existing workers to improve their employability. The scheme is 100 % funded by the Government. One million persons would be trained all over the country including the State of Jharkhand during five years.

In addition, Craftsmen Training Scheme is being provided through a network of 5465 Industrial Training Institutes / Centres in the country with a seating capacity of 749 million trainees. Government has recommended a tuition fee of Rs. 100/- per month to be charged from the trainees, however, no fee is charged from SC/ST and physically challenged trainees in 1913 Government Industrial Training Institutes.